

House Resolution 1492

By: Representatives Buckner of the 76th, Greene of the 149th, Parham of the 141st, Barnard of the 166th, and Hudson of the 124th

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Study Committee on State Parole and Probation Officer Salaries and
2 Benefits; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia is served daily by the hundreds of parole and probation
4 officers for both adult and juvenile offenders who have dedicated themselves to the
5 protection of the lives and property of our citizens and the rehabilitation of offenders; and

6 WHEREAS, it is largely because of the courage and commitment of these brave men and
7 women that our criminal justice system continues to operate; and

8 WHEREAS, in rendering essential public services professionally and selflessly, this state's
9 parole and probation officers help to assure an orderly society and enhance the citizenry's
10 sense of security; and

11 WHEREAS, in placing the well-being of society above their personal concerns and, in some
12 instances, risking their lives for the sake of others, the parole and probation officers
13 employed by this state exemplify the highest nobility and greatest commitment to
14 humanitarian ideals; and

15 WHEREAS, it is essential that the salaries and benefits paid to parole and probation officers
16 state wide is at a level necessary to continue to attract and retain the best candidates and to
17 ensure that a career as a parole or probation officer remains an attractive employment
18 opportunity in this state.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 there is created the House Study Committee on State Parole and Probation Officer Salaries
21 and Benefits to be composed of five members of the House of Representatives to be
22 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Speaker shall designate a

1 member of the committee as chairperson of the committee. The chairperson shall call all
2 meetings of the committee.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
4 needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action
5 or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may
6 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or
7 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and
8 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee
9 shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of
10 Georgia Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any
11 member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized. The
12 funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from the funds
13 appropriated to the House of Representatives. The committee shall make a report of its
14 findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, on or before
15 December 31, 2006. The committee shall stand abolished on December 31, 2006.